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'MURDER' AT SHARON?



SHARON
HIGH
SCHOOL

photo by Jon Eisenthal

PROP

2 $\frac{1}{2}$

Proposition 2 $\frac{1}{2}$. Everyone knows about it. We've all heard the arguments for it and against it, and we've seen the numerous protesters marching on city halls, taking our police and fire stations, and blocking our expressway. More has been said about that one piece of legislation than anyone could possibly want to hear. If that is true, why are we doing this feature? There has been a lot (maybe too much) written about 2 $\frac{1}{2}$, but what we want to show is how it is going to affect us, the students of the Sharon public school system. The following articles will show how proposition 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ will affect each of Sharon's schools.

Cottage St. Elementary School

Final arrangements are now being made at the Cottage St. Elementary School to compensate for losses due to Proposition 2 $\frac{1}{2}$. With the closing of the Intermediate School next year, Cottage St. students in the fourth grade will continue there for their fifth grade, too. To accom-

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Heights Elementary School

Pulling out a scrap of paper, Mrs. Bock, principal of the Heights Elementary School, began to inform us of the "tentative" results of Proposition 2 $\frac{1}{2}$.

The biggest move will be due to the closing of the Intermediate School. Three fifth grade classes will be joining the Heights

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EAST ELEMENTARY

According to Mr. Bellows, principal of the East Elementary School, Proposition 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ will affect almost every program and department. The arts and the physical education program will be most seriously affected. The music and art teachers, who are already being shared by two other elementary schools, will next year be coming every other week instead of the present once a week. Gym classes will probably meet every other week, but possibly the periods will only be shortened. Intramurals, which now meet once a week, will be totally cut.

The price of lunches will increase substantially. The cost will have to cover food and aid and will increase from the present 60¢ to anywhere between 65¢ and \$1.00. There will also be fewer lunchroom aides. Although the distance required to qualify as a busser will not be extended, the busses will be fewer and more crowded. There will be fewer stops and an estimated 25% of the riders will have to stand. There will be no money for new equipment or replacements for the equipment that breaks down. Supplies will be limited. Paper will be conserved and students may have to supply their own pencils (but they'll still get crayons). The money set aside for new equipment has been used instead to purchase new textbooks. Maintenance, such as painting and mowing the lawn, will be, for the most part, neglected.

Once upon a time, last November to be exact, the people of Sharon, along with the state of Massachusetts, voted in favor of Prop. 2½. Because of this decision, a lot of things are happening in the school system next year. The Junior High, according to Mr. Anders, Assistant Superintendent of Schools, will see a lot of changes in the coming year.

Although interest in a new intramural program including very successful track and soccer teams, has been steadily climbing, all intramurals will be cut next year. However, to replace this needed exercise, students who live within 1½ miles of the school (replacing the previous limit of 1 mile) will be walking to school.

In regard to specials, one shop and one home-ec class will be cut; however, there will be no changes in either the music or the art departments. The talented and gifted program, begun this year, will be discontinued, as well as the cut of one special education aide.

Although losing a secretary, a custodian, and an aide due to Prop. 2½, the Junior High will be gaining some personnel as well as some students from various other schools in Sharon.

The one major change in the system will be the addition of the sixth grades, moving from the Intermediate School, which will no longer exist. Miss Clark, current High School librarian, will work part time at both the High School and the Junior High. The High School will also lose a high school guidance counselor to the Junior High.

All money for field trips will be cut, and there will be less supplies all around. All in all, a lot of previous advantages that the students have been lucky enough to have, are being cut. It's too bad that once upon a time, the people of Sharon and of Massachusetts had to vote in favor of Proposition 2½.

Shelly Anders
and
Jennifer Laiselle

Cuts in funding due to the approval of Proposition 2½ will soon show their effects as personnel and programs are eliminated from the recreation Department.

In all, nearly 30% of the budget (now \$204,000 to be depleted to \$144,000) will be lost. Most cuts include summer workers; however, one full time position has also been eliminated. Positions lost include: six playground workers, one sailing instructor, both gymnastics teachers, one arts and crafts instructor, two tag and sticker salesmen, and five workers from the waterfront including two lifeguards, two gateguards, and the waterfront director.

The main effects of a smaller staff will be the loss of the gymnastics programs, less supervision, and shorter beach hours (instead of 9 - 8, the hours will very likely be from 10 to 7). The summer playground program will try to survive with its few remaining counselors, and most landscaping will have to be done by volunteers. No overtime hours will be given.

Although 2½ will have many visible effects, probably the most immediate will be those affecting the Rec. Dept. \$60,000 from any budget can not be hidden; however, I know that the entire staff is working its hardest to keep the Recreation Department a source of town pride.

by Russ Basch



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WEEKLY SPECIALS



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INTERVIEW WITH MR. STEVENSON

The cuts attributed to proposition 2½ aren't as bad as rumor has it. In a recent interview with Mr. Stevenson it was learned that each department was being cut of only one position including art, gym, home economics, etc. In fact, Mr. Stevenson explained that next year some new classes are being offered. Class size will increase as expected, however, not over the size stated on the teachers contracts. Unless an extraordinary (and unlikely) amounts of new students enroll this summer the classes will more or less remain between 25 and 30.

Most of the clubs are still available excluding golf, tennis and gymnastics. As of now the major sports such as football, basketball and field hockey along with others not mentioned will still be offered.

Although the cuts for the year 81-82 do not seem drastic, if the 15% cuts threatened for the following year are put into effect then two or three more positions from each department will be cut and the number of students in each class will increase drastically. Most sports and clubs will be a thing of the past. Because Mass. is the only state affected by Proposition 2½, Mr. Stevenson feels that if the cuts go into a second and more drastic year then those students applying to college will find the lack of extra-curricula activities a disadvantage.

Keep in mind that the cuts made for next year still ride upon the town meeting which will determine the budget.

Donna O'Brien

INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

The most obvious effect of Proposition 2½ will be the closing of the Intermediate School. As of September 1981 students will attend fifth grade in the elementary schools and will go to the Junior High School for grade six.

One of the main reasons why the Intermediate will be closed is because of its inefficiency. It is an old building that requires a large amount of energy to maintain. When it was built as the Sharon High School in the early nineteen hundreds, heating costs were far below today's prices; therefore, insulation was not an important factor at the times of its construction. As of now there are no plans to utilize the building for another purpose.

Most of the teachers at the school will transfer to one of the town's three elementary schools or to the junior high school. Since the majority of these teachers has been teaching in Sharon for many years, they will not automatically lose their jobs.

Realistically, the school must be closed because of its high maintenance cost. Emotionally, many people are sad to see a school associated with so many fond memories discontinued. It bridged the gap between the elementary grades to the junior high, and made the transition more gradual. It is a necessary evil in keeping down the costs of school without affecting the quality of education.

David Small
Larry Rubin

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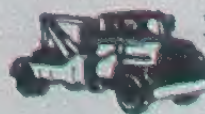
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COMMENT ON PROPOSITION 2½

COTTAGE (cont. from pg. 1)

odate these extra students, the art and music teachers will have to give up their rooms for portable carts.

One third grade teacher, the only one without tenure, will have to be dismissed, causing a shuffling of the grades certain teachers will be handling next year. The sixteen students in her class will be transferred to either the Heights or East Elementary School, depending on where they live.

One clerical aid will have to be dismissed, putting a greater burden on the individual teachers to do more paperwork and record-keeping. They will also have to deal with classes filled to the legal maximum of 25 students.

The last but certainly not the least painful cut the system will suffer is the loss of one more school nurse, leaving only two to cover all of Sharon. This will be most severely felt by elementary schools because because of the registration and examinations children

Of proposition 2½ one popular speaker says that it has been blamed for everything but unwed mother, and the only reason for that is that it is only 7 months after the election. Proposition 2½ may not be blamed for everything, but it is blamed for many things.

What proposition 2½ does is to cut local property taxes thereby forcing a cut in local spending. Many opponents of Prop 2½ say that it will cause large cuts in education, police, fire and other services provided by towns. Although the services we receive are excellent, are they 70% better than the rest of the country's. I use that number (70 percent) because that is how much higher than the national average our property taxes are (before prop 2½).

Proposition 2½ forces local governments to closely scrutinize every expenditure. Those who make the budgets must now be careful with every penny they have. If it unnecessary to build a police station then they should not. It should be the same with schools and other unnecessary projects. The cutting of school budgets is a sensitive area. Some communities in the North Shore do not have to cut any teachers because they have kept, instead of "stockpiling" teachers. Unfortunately the majority of towns have kept too many teachers and are forced to fire them now.

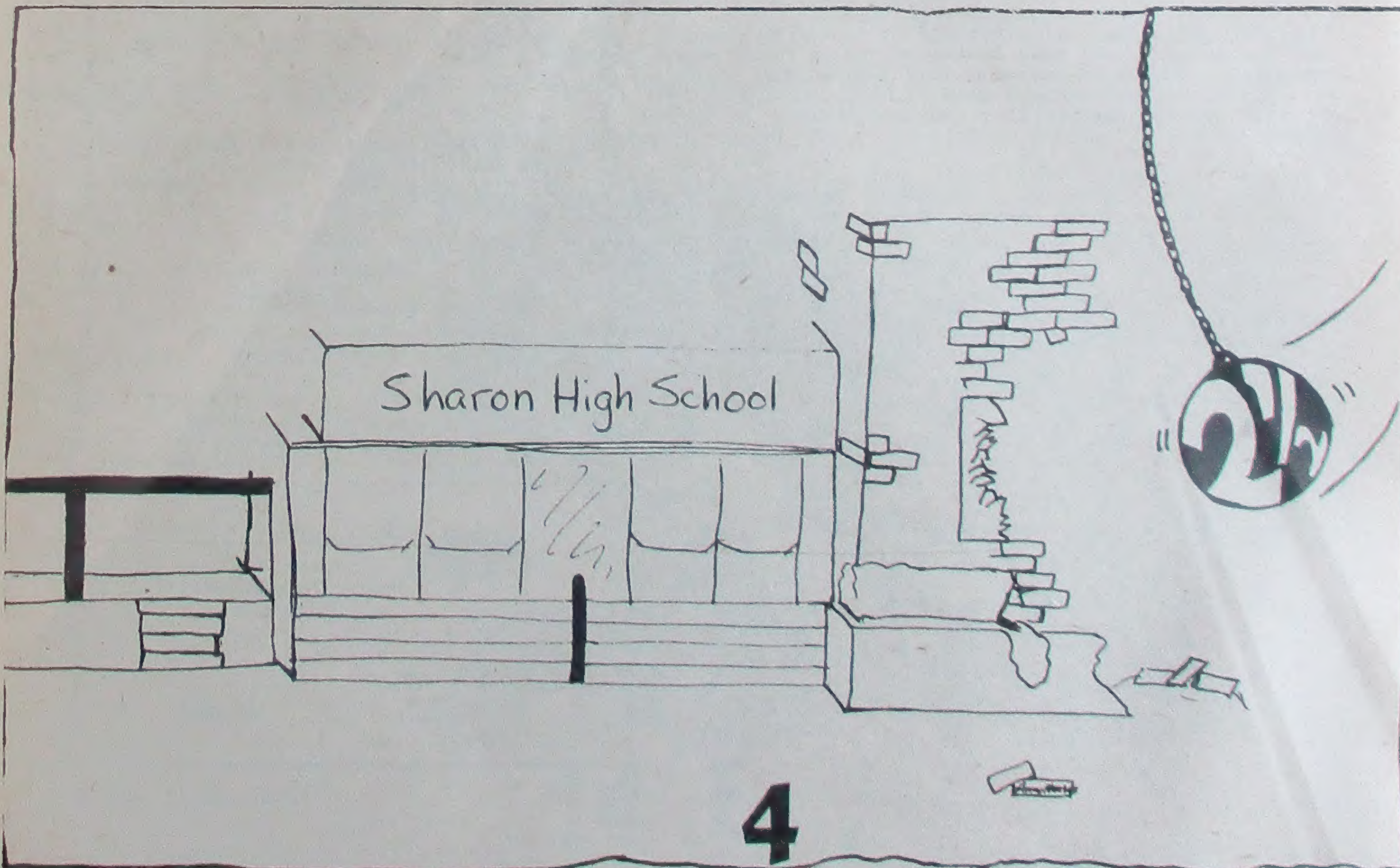
No one can say for sure whether prop 2½ will work or not. Only time will tell.

on this level require. These two nurses will be constantly on the go and on call among Sharon's five public schools.

Despite all the worry and aggravation Proposition 2½ has caused, though the going has been tough,

I think everyone has learned to cope. As for the year after next, no one knows. As Mr. Bruno, principal of the Cottage St. School, says, "It's just a waiting game. . ."

-Lisa Wesel
Terry Ayotte





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HEIGHTS (cont. from pg. 1)

next year, and as a result, one first grade and one fourth grade class will be dropped. Unfortunately, two teachers will lose their jobs, but three teachers from the Intermediate School will quickly take their available places. The classroom enrollment will sharply increase, and hopefully, the quality of education won't go down due to the addition of more students.

Cutbacks and reductions are found everywhere, especially in the special education program, secretaries, cafeteria workers, the nurse, and all the "support people" such as the library and playground aids. As a result, the remaining people will be shared among the entire school system.

Art, gym and music have the least cutbacks because they aren't as emphasized as in the higher grades.

Another area greatly effected is the cafeteria. No funds will be given to it; therefore, it will have to be self-supportive. Lunch prices will increase because of the expense of preparing lunches, but those on the free lunch program won't have to worry because it is state-funded.

Transportation has its cutbacks, too. In order for students to receive bus privileges, they must live at least 1½ miles from the school. The number of busses will be cut down, and all the routes will change.

Energy conservation is at the top of the list, and the Heights Elementary School is doing its part by changing its lighting system and keeping its thermostat at 65.

Hopefully, as a result of the upcoming town meetings, the Heights will receive money from the state to help their economic future so they won't always have to resort to scrap paper.

-Nancy Pavlakis &
Illana Ross

EAST (cont. from pg. 1)

Several staff members will be cut. There will be only one office worker. As a result, the principal will have to take over some of the duties of the secretary who will be leaving. Either an aide or some of the time he or she will devote to the Special Education program will be lost. The number of playground aides will be reduced. However, the PTO, (the Parent-Teacher Organization), is looking for volunteers. Two nontenured teachers will be laid off. The fifth grade of the Intermediate School will be added on to the East Elementary. As a result, class size will average to about 25 students.

Despite these things, Mr. Bellows hopes that the legislators will provide needed funds for education to the cities and towns, and some of the programs at the East will be left intact.

By Wendi Diamond
and Muge Erkan

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ENTERTAINMENT

UPCOMING SUMMER MOVIES*

- June 12 Clash of the Titans, starring Sir Lawrence Olivier, Maggie Smith
- June 12 Mel Brookes' History of the World, Part I, An all-star cast
- June 12 Cheech & Chong's Nice Dreams, starring Tommy Chong, Cheech Morin, Stacy Keach
- June 12 Steven Spielberg's Raiders of the Lost Ark, starring Harrison Ford, Karen Allen
- June 19 Cannonball Run, starring Burt Reynolds, Farrah Fawcett and Dom DeLuise
- June 19 Superman II, starring Christopher Reeve, Gene Hackman, Margot Kidder
- June 26 Stripes, starring Bill Murray
- July 1 S.O.B., starring Julie Andrews
- July 10 Escape to New York, starring Kurt Russell, Adrienne Barbeau
- July 17 Arthur, starring Liza Minelli, Dudley Moore

Also in July:

Zorro and the Gay Blade

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For Your Eyes Only, starring Roger Moore as James Bond

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by Bruce Griff

Phil Collins:
Face Values:

Phil Collins has come out with a very diversified album. Who is Phil Collins? He's the drummer for the group that goes by the name of Genesis. On this album, Phil shows us how powerful a set of drums can be.

In the first song on the album "In the Air Tonight," Phil performs one of the most intense sounding drum performances I've encountered. This song, by the way, is the cut heavily played on 'COZ, 'AAF, 'BCN.

"This Must be Love", a slow moving song, is next followed by "Behind the Lines", a song reminiscent of Earth Wind & Fire.

Other cuts include "The Roof is Leaking" "Hand in Hand" and "Droned."

Guests on this album include Stephen Bishop and Eric Clapton.

In addition to conventional rock instruments, this album includes the percussion, Prophet, Fendel, Banjo, Trombone, 12 string guitar, and flugel horns.

Phil Collins, the second member of Genesis to reach out and make his own album, (the other being Peter Gabriel) has come out with a good product, well worth it's premium price.

--Larry Ross

UPCOMING CONCERTS

Boston Garden

Rush - May 23 with FM (openers)
Reo Speedwagon - July 14 and 15
Van Halen - July 24 and The Fools (openers)
Tom Petty and The Heartbreakers - July 7 or 9 -
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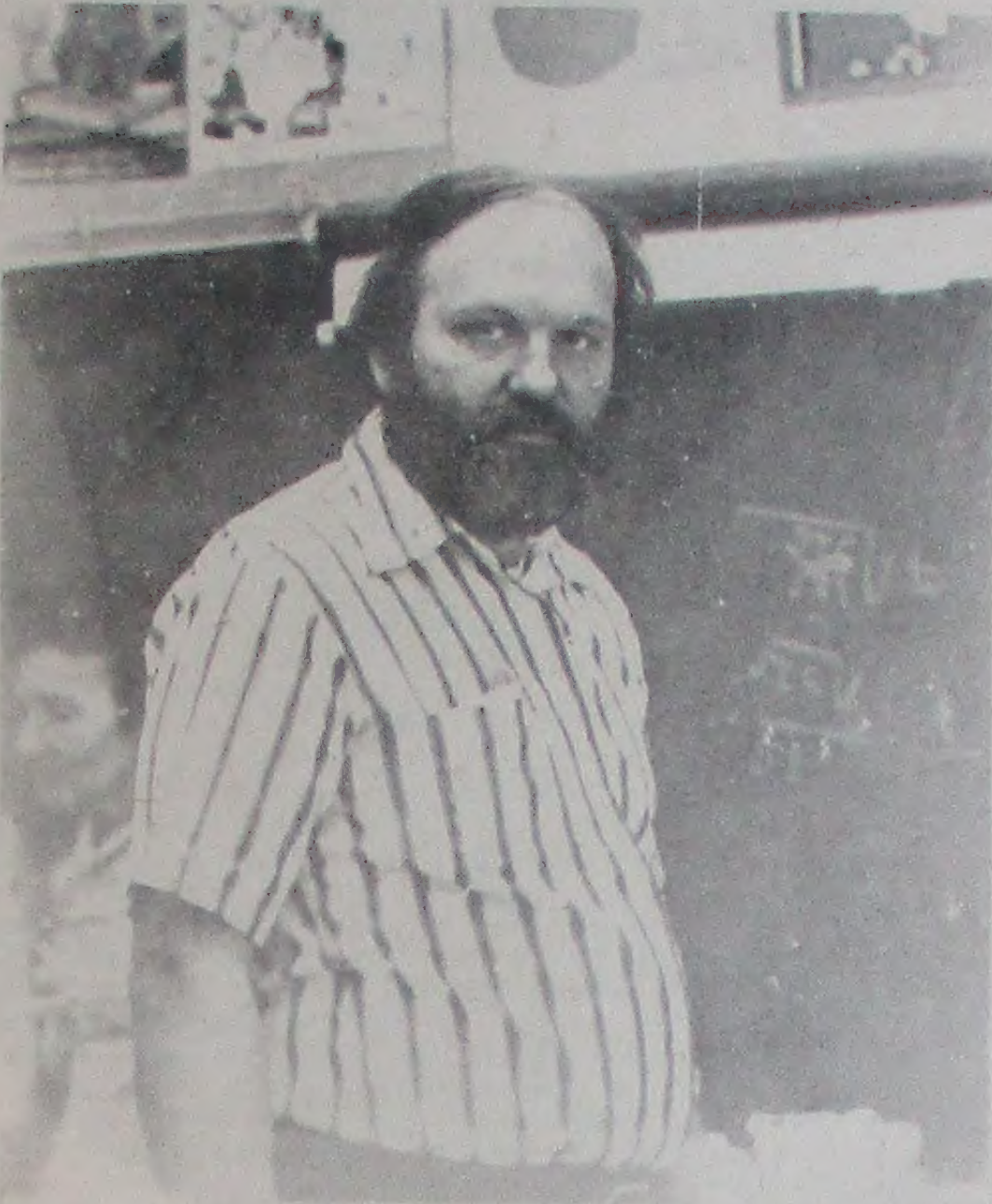


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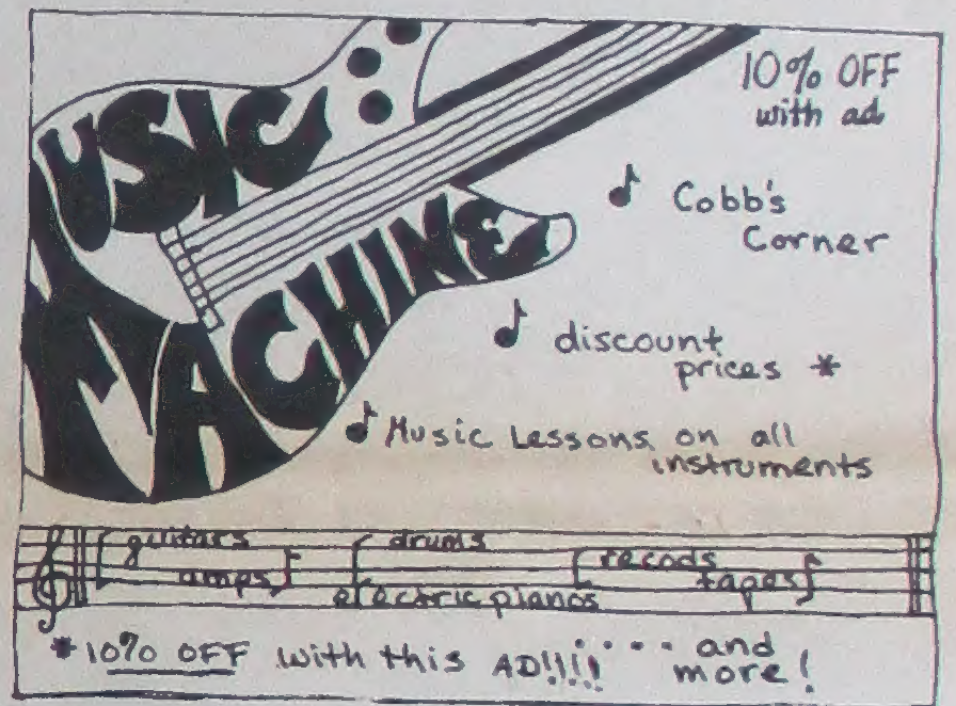
Everyone's favorite potheads, Cheech & Chong are back again, this time with their third film, Nice Dreams. This film has the same basic elements as 1978's Up In Smoke and 1980's Next Movie; a wild California setting girls and most importantly, lots of dope. Tommy Chong and Cheech Marin star as the kings of the dopers.

The story is basically the same as Up In Smoke and Next Movie, a day in the life of Cheech & Chong. There's even Sargent Stadanko, (played by Stacy Keach) who appeared in Up In Smoke, as the cop on the duo's tail, trying to make a bust. Cheech & Chong play themselves as two enterprising businessmen who sell dope using an ice cream truck as a front. I may have been dreaming or I may have been stoned, but I could not find the story among all the sight gags.

Sight gags seem to be the formula used to get laughs. Gags such as a lizard who smokes pot, the duo getting committed to an institution, girls who steal Chinese food out from under the duo, and "Animal" a wanted man who hates Mexicans and who relieves himself into a hotel pool provide plenty of lowly laughs, but that's about all. There is no hidden meaning in the film unless someone's absolutely spaced out.

Nice Dreams is fair, it has no new elements and the presence of Sargent Stadanko made the film seem like Up In Smoke Part II. The story is weak, I was shocked when the credits flashed an hour and a half after the film began. It has a lot of sight gags which gives us many laughs. But Nice Dreams is partially up in smoke. If you just want some laughs and don't care about a story, don't go straight to see this film.

— Bruce Griff



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BASEBALL TRIVIA

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- #1 Len Barker recently threw a perfect game no-hitter. Who was the last pitcher before him to accomplish this feat?
- #2 Which team won the first World Series game in 1903?
- #3 Only one man has ever pitched a perfect game in the World Series. Who is he?
- #4 Who won the All-Star game last year, A.L. or N.L.?
- #5 Who was the N.L. Rookie of the Year in 1967?
- #6 Only one of the following players did not pitch a perfect no-hit game in his career. Who is he?
a) Sandy Koufax; b) Bob Feller; c) Cy Young;
d) Charles Robertson; e) Warren Spahn
- #7 Off of which pitcher did Hank Aaron hit his 715th homerun?
- #8 Which well-known player was the unanimous choice as A.L. MVP in 1973?
- #9 Which A.L. player hit safely in 56 consecutive games in 1941?
- #10 Who was the last major league pitcher to win 30 games in a season?
- #11 In 1973, Rod Carew won the A.L. batting crown with an average of .350. Who came in second place?
a) Bobby Murcer; b) George Scott; c) Thurman Munson; d) Tommy Davis; e) Amos Otis
- #12 In 1909, Ty Cobb led the A.L. in home runs. How many did he hit?
- #13 Which baseball park is still not equipped for night games?
- #14 Who is the youngest player ever to be elected to the Baseball Hall of Fame?
- #15 Who is the only player to strike out 19 batters in a regular nine inning game and lose?
- #16 What was the name of the Brewers before they moved to Milwaukee?
- #17 Who was the first president to throw out the ball to open the baseball season?
- #18 In 1968, a right-handed pitcher threw 58 consecutive shutout innings. Who is he?
- #19 In 1964, Lyndon Johnson threw out the ball to officially open the baseball season. What brand was the glove he used?
- #20 Can you identify this pitcher nicknamed "Happy Jack"?



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THE PRO SCENE

By Seth Mielken and Harvey Plumenthal

It would be a shame for a strike by the players union to occur because the Boston Red Sox are truly an exciting team this year. Their new players from California such as Carney Lansford and Mark Clear, who has one of the best curves in the American League, have thus far been carrying the team, along with a rejuvenated Dwight Evans and Jerry Remy...At age 41, Carl Yastrzemski still gives 100% in every game, but it is definitely time for him to hang up his spikes...Dave Stapleton certainly does look better at shortstop than Glenn Hoffman...When he was hired by the Seattle Mariners, Maury Wills said that he would be one of the best managers in the game of baseball. After only 90 games, Wills was fired... The Million Dollar Man, Dave Winfield of The New York Yankees, is off to a flying start, batting over .330...The Cleveland Indians, led by Len Barker and Bert Blyleven, lead the American League in pitching with a 2.79 E.R.A... Incredible speedstar Tim Lincecum of the Expos has stolen more than twice as many bases as his nearest competitor, while batting over .330 and leading the National League in on-base percentage... Fernando Valenzuela tied the major league record for best start by a rookie (8-0), but was hit hard in his next two starts...A big blow to St. Louis' pennant hopes when rookie righthander Andy Rincon caught a line drive on his pitching arm, causing a hairline fracture. Rincon, who was 3-1 with a 1.75 E.R.A., will be sidelined until mid-June...Bad timing for Charlie Lea of Montreal, who spun a no-hitter only five days before Len Barker of the Indians tossed the majors' first perfect game since 1968, when Catfish Hunter turned the trick against Minnesota...The Cubs may well be heading toward the worst regular season record ever posted by a major league team. As of this writing, they are slightly ahead of the '62 Mets inept pace.

Congratulations to the World Champion Boston Celtics. This was their 15th trip to the final series, losing only in 1958, when Bill Russell broke his ankle...Sources say that the Celtics will offer M.L. Carr and Rick Robey to Denver in exchange for guard David Thompson...Cleveland peddled veteran guard Randy Smith, whom the Celts were interested in, to New York for the Knicks' first round draft choice, giving Cleveland its only first round pick until 1987...Don't be surprised if Boston uses one of its two second round choices to try to persuade the multi-talented Danny Ainge to become a Celtic...Larry Bird's description of Moses Malone's diet has received national attention, including an article in the New York Times which tried to link Bird's speech with Boston's political troubles...Congratulations are also in order for Julius Erving, the NBA's Most Valuable Player this season. But will the Doctor ever get that ring?

Once again, the Patriots have blundered in the draft. They select quality players, but refuse to plug the obvious holes, such as the defensive line...Why is Ron Erhardt, a gross underachiever, still coaching the Pats? You'd think Billy Sullivan would have learned his lesson from the Chuck Fairbanks affair...The United States Football League will officially announce its formation about June 10. The league will play from March to July, as to avoid conflict with the NFL... Welcome back, Terry Metcalf.

Many people believe that the Boston Bruins should replace coach Gerry Cheevers with someone who is not so luddy-luddy with the players...It looks as though the Bruins will play at the Garden next season as there are problems developing between Delaware North and the Rockingham Park people...The two-time Stanley Cup champion New York Islanders could be in trouble next year with five players becoming free agents including scoring machine Mike Bossy.

J.V. BASEBALL

The Eagles game vs. North Attleboro was a very close ball game. The Rocket's pitching was tough and the only run the Eagles could score was a 7th inning home run by Bobby Fleming, who also pitched an excellent game. The Eagles fell to the Rockets by the score of 4-1.

The trip to Franklin was a hitting debut by the Eagles. They scored 9 runs on 9 hits and didn't allow a Panther run to score. Billy Cohen pitched a fine game, only allowing a few hits.

On May 6th the J.V. squad played Foxboro and was again at its best. At the end of 3 innings the score was 2-1 Foxboro, but in the 4th inning the Eagles exploded with 5 runs. The Warriors didn't up until the last out, scoring 2 runs in the 7th. The final was 7-4 with the Eagles flying high.

The trip to Canton was a letdown for the Eagles. With a 5-3 lead going into the 6th inning Canton scored 6 runs. Although a fine effort was made to come back the Eagles lost 9-5.

The King Philip game was an exciting one. With the Warriors in front 10-0 the Eagles came flying back, scoring 3 runs in the 3rd inning, 7 in the 5th, and 3 in the 6th, on a 3 run homer by Sean Sullivan. K.P. came back with 2 runs, but was not enough to overtake the Eagles. The final was 13-12 in favor of the Eagles.

After losing to Stoughton 9-8 the 1st time around the Eagles had something to prove. Stoughton jumped out to a 2-0 lead, but the Eagles bounced back to tie it up and send it into extra innings. In the bottom of the 9th inning with the bases loaded Kevin Fontes put a shot out into left center field for the game winning hit. A fine pitching job by Bobby Fleming, who had 12 strikeouts and went the full 9 innings.

The O.A. Tigers came to Sharon wanting to pounce on the Eagles. The whole game was tight. Bobby Fleming put another towering drive into the trees for a home run, his 2nd of the year, and led the Eagles to an 11-9 squeeze from O.A..

Ronnie Goodman made his High School pitching debut by throwing a fine game against Mansfield. Striking out 10 batters, he led the Eagles to a 6-2 win over the Hornets.

The trip to North Attleboro was the most exciting game this year for the J.V. squad. With the game tied 2-2 going into the bottom of the 6th inning N.A. scored a run on a sacrifice fly to put them ahead 3-2. With two out and a man on third the Eagles put together 6 runs on 6 consecutive hits, including a 2 run homer by Sean Sullivan, his 2nd of the year, to soundly beat the Rockets 8-3.

The J.V. Squad is now in a three way tie for 1st place with N.A. and Canton.

ROSTER: Coach Fred LaChapelle (Chief), Peter Badoian, Steven Coffey, Jeff Cosgrove, Jason Davenport, Jeff Davis, Danny Dubin, Paul Durkee, Bobby Fleming, Kevin Fontes, Eric Ginsberg, Danny Greenwald, Tom Healy, Mike Katz, Doug Norton, Scott Roscott, and Sean Sullivan.

By Peter Badoian

&
Jeff Davis



Photos by Steve Bortnick



GIRLS' SPRING TRACK

Since the girls' spring track record was only 1-7, no one expected the surprise which came at the League Championship Meet. Sharon, which had been in last place during the dual meet season, came in third in the league meet. Jennifer Loiselle won the quarter and placed third in the high jump, Kelly Boyle won the mile, and Leslie Cooper won the two-mile. Hope Her-son placed in the discus and the shot.

Outstanding performances during the season included Carol Smith (440), Coleen O'Brien (880), Michelle Guy (880 and mile), Mary Beth Zeigler (220), Debbie Norton (100), Deidre Glover (javelin).

DIVISION I

In the State class meet, Jennifer Loiselle placed sixth in the 440, Leslie Cooper came in second in the two mile, and Kelly Boyle won the mile.

They are only losing 2 seniors, so next year promises to be even better!

Leslie Cooper



VARSITY BASEBALL

The varsity baseball team ended its season with a record of 10-10 overall and 7-9 in the league. It was a season of ups and downs and its record hovered around .500 all year. Although it became obvious that the state tournament was beyond reach, the team never gave up. Behind the leadership of captains Mike Blau and Arnie Petrosky, along with all of the other seniors, the team stayed together and remained strong by beating Stoughton and Franklin, first and second in the league. If it hadn't been for some games in the late innings, the Eagles would have been a contender for the league title. Congratulations and good luck to Dean Morse, Mike Blau, Arnie Petrosky, Luther Ampy and Andy Zeuli who were chosen to represent Sharon in the All-Star game on Sunday, May 31 at 7:00 PM in North Attleboro. Further congratulations go to Dean Morse who was selected to the Hockomock League All-Star team. Good luck to the graduating seniors who helped the team in every way possible. They were Mike Blau, Arnie Petrosky, Dean Morse, Andy Zeuli, Steve Balerna, Larry Kaplan, Mike Feldman, Glen Frank and Phil Sikora. Returning underclassmen will be David Gronendyke, Bob Laurie, Denis Foley, Luther Ampy and Ronnie Goodman. Finally congratulations to Bob Laurie and David Gronendyke who were chosen by Mr. Peckham to be captains next year.

Bob Laurie

IN OUR OPINION...

"OUTLAND" ***½

SPACE WESTERN

If ever there was a movie that I walked into thinking I would dislike it would have been "Outland". Well, I was pleasantly surprised. Over and above my expectations, "Outland" provided good acting, dialogue, special effects and plot.

Sean Connery plays a nonfuturistic marshall sent to a futuristic mining camp on IO, a moon of Jupiter. He enlists the aid of Frances Sternhagen, who plays the role of a medical doctor, in attempting to identify a drug that is killing the miners. The drug turns out to be illegal; distributed by the owners of the mining operation to increase the rate of production of the miners. Unlike marshalls before him, Connery is determined to blow open the operation. In the climactic clash between good and evil, he and Sternhagen do battle with 3 hitmen sent by the owners' henchman, played by Peter Boyle. Some very superb visual effects include Connery walking on top of the camp's green house, while being stalked by a hitman.

"Outland", of course, has its share of blood (for the gore fans), which is tastefully handled. Nothing is too explicit.

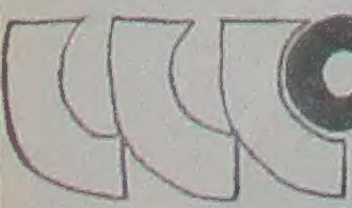
"Outland" is a western combined with the wonders of outer space. I recommend that you see it. It is a very enjoyable, well made movie, something that seems very rare these days.

-- Jan Williams

THE RINGS

After three years around Boston pubs and being called "Rings Around Saturn", the newest band to be put to vinyl, "The Rings", has come up with some new catchy songs and a few others for the radio listener. Opening with "Opposites Attract", they have a new idea about singing and songwriting. "Who's She Dancin' With" and "This One's For The Girls" are nothing spectacular but they are enjoyable. "Let Me Go" is their first single and biggest hit off the album. To close the first side is "Got My Wish", a song about an ex-convict who gets his revenge on some unknown. Side 2 contains three radio playable songs: "My Kinda Girl", "Third Generation" (the second biggest hit off the album), and "I Need Strange". "Watch You Break" tends to be stretched a few minutes too long. The vocals of the song are boring. "Too Much of Nothing" is exactly that, too much of nothing. I think The Rings have put together an album of their tastes and then some songs to get air-play. Their sales of the album are slugging because of the higher price of the album, but if you're into listening to great rock and roll with a fresh sound, it's worth the 7 bucks!

Peter Rinnig

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Movie Review

** "The Four Seasons"

Alan Alda's latest film, "The Four Seasons" sounds as if it could be a rock concert of the '60's group, but it is not. The film deals with three couples who always vacation together and the trials and tribulations that result. Starring in the film are; Alan Alda ("Paper Lion," "The Seduction of Joe Tynan,") Carol Burnett ("Pete & Tillie," "A Wedding,") as Jack and Kate Burroughse, Jack Weston and Rita Moreno (reunited after 1977's "The Ritz") as the Zimmers, Len Cariou. Sandy Dennis ("Up The Down Staircase") as Nick and Anne Callan and Bess Armstrong as Nick's girlfriend, Ginny.

The story involves the three couples, Alan Alda and Carol Burnett, Weston and Moreno, Cariou and Dennis who always take vacations together. For a year the couples take a vacation together one each season. Alda compares the phases of the relationships to the changes of the seasons much like Chance Gardner (played by Peter Sellers) compared the state of economy to the Seasons in "Being There." The film examines friendships and relationships, how well do we really know our friends or how well do husbands and wives know each other. For example, Jack is shocked when Nick tells him he wanted to divorce his wife of 20 years when everyone thought they were fine. The film is similar to last years Bo Derek flop, "A Change of Seasons" in which Shirley McClain, Anthony Hopkins spent their vacation together but with different lovers. The Four Seasons tried to achieve too much in too little time and would have done better to concentrate with a shorten period of time. The story did get boring after a while, watching the couples on vacation. I often wondered if anyone ever worked. On paper the story may have been great but on screen it loses something.

The film was written and directed by Alan Alda. This film marks his second screenplay and second shot as director. His first, "The Seduction of Joe Tynan" was an excellent drama. At times in "The Four Seasons" I almost thought Alda wrote this movie about my family. He is a writer in touch with the world around him. On the other hand though, I thought Alda has lost some of his genius touch. He writes good drama but his comedy scenes seem corny and just don't fit. To change the sequences of the seasons Alda puts in scenes of th season, leaves, fish, snow ect., but it was like watching a science film and was not a good filler.

Alda gives equal time to the actors who are good, and he himself does not hog the camera. Two of Alda's daughters appear in the film as daughters of the Burroughse and the Callans but don't have any lines.

"The Four Seasons" is fair, but it reminds me alot of "A Change of Seasons." It's a good story from the dramatic stand point, but Alda does not a how's eye for humor resulting in a picture that sort of left me in the fog.

by, Grace Griffin

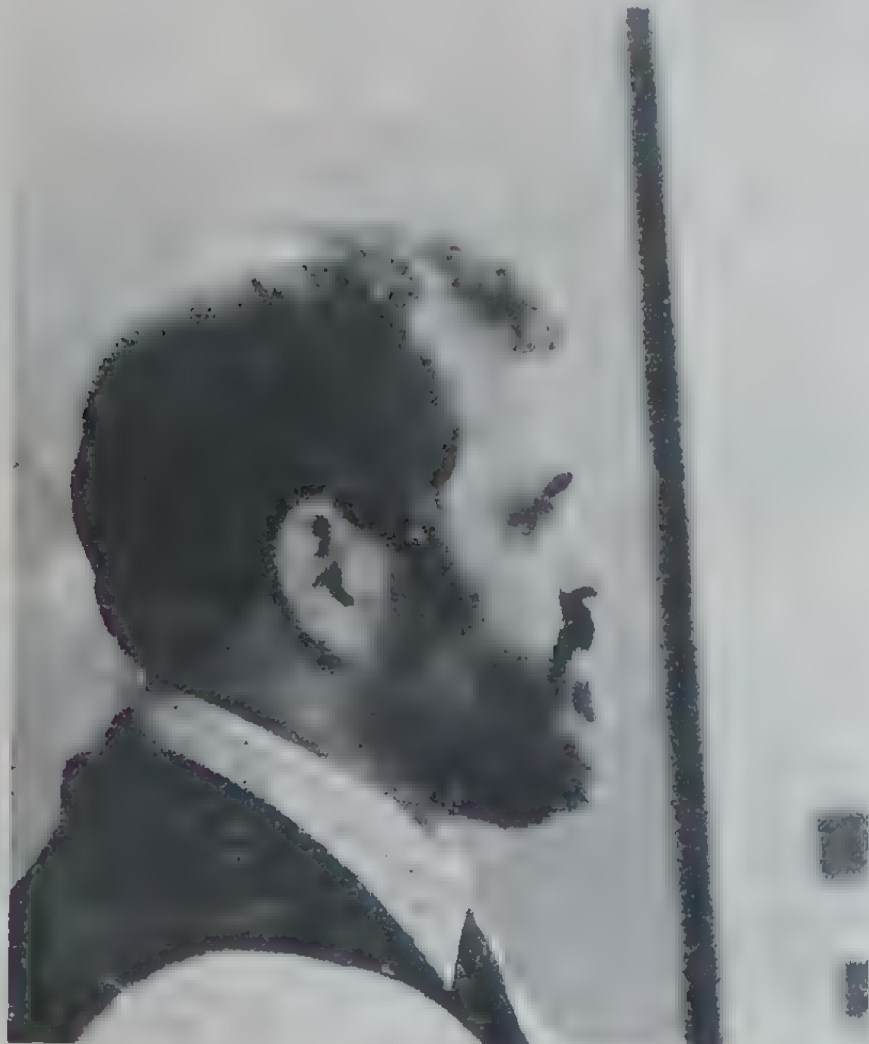


photo by Jon Eisenthal

CAVEMAN **

On October 9th, 1,000,000,000,000 B.C., two men, Atouk and Larr, are banished from their home tribe by its chief Tando, a huge, ruthless man who prides himself on being the consort of Lana, a shapley and devious woman who can, without a doubt, be considered the world's first sex-bomb. The pair is banished because Larr has had his foot mauled by the ferocious "Macha," and Atouk, -he's in love (aloondah) with Lana- has been caught while trying, in vain to "zug-zug (the act of making aloondah)" her while Tando is sleeping. The two attempt to retain their pride by forming their own tribe to defeat Tando... The rest of the film goes downhill from there.

With a fifteen word dialogue (briefly interpreted by a Samauri-type warrior and his pet iguana), the film is a cross between NBC's Flamingo Road and Raquel Welch's movie, One Million Years B.C., but if one doesn't mind seeing man discover the wheel, fire, the fly swatter, rock and roll, the hot-foot, the horse, the slide, the fried egg, drugs, and how to walk up-right again, one just might find it amusing; however, I'd doubt it.

The film uses props and animation for comedy, or what's to be considered comedy, and jumps quickly from one situation to another without the viewer being able to follow the story. Granted, Caveman does have some funny scenes in it, but they are few and widely spaced and don't balance the film's lack of good quality.

Caveman, to me, is relying on the names of its stars, Ringo Starr (Atouk) and Barbara Bach (Lana), to support the story, which is an error, for neither one adds any real pizzazz to the film, nor any of the comedy (or lack of it). If the couple are going to continue to come out with films like this, I feel that Barbara should go back to Russia, and Ringo, I'm sure, I'm sure you'll agree, back to singing.

--Kevin Tyler

Rock and Roll in recent years has reached a new dimension. Many bands are springing up all over the country. Many of them are rockers worth listening to, but there are so many of them, only a few get recording contracts. All the others can only hope that a recording producer will see them play one night and offer a recording contract.

But wait a minute! Along comes independent lables. More local bands than ever now have the ability to record their songs on singles and EPs (extended play). Now the public can hear local bands on the local stations. Still, a lot of bands don't have the money to record.

But wait a minute! Along comes the local Rock and Roll radio stations. Since these stations play band's tapes and other forms available only to the stations, the public can't have their own records to buy. But these stations wanted the public to buy these local band's songs. Along comes WCOZ's "Best of The Boston Beat, Volume One" in 1979. This year WCOZ has put out Volume Two and WBCN, with cooperation with Modern Method Records has just put out their own "Wicked Good Rock And Roll" album. These two albums say just about everything you wanted to know-about the local music scene. Essentially WCOZ plays mainstreame rock and their album reflects it 100%. Every song on their album is a radio "top ten" for R and R stations. There is nothing wrong there except that there's nothing new about the music. All the band's in the album were in a contest to win a recording contract after becoming finalists with bands across America, (that's what these albums are for: to get record producers to recognize local bands). The Stompers with "Shutdown" has advanced to the finals of the contest. Other songs worth nothing on the album are The Smith Bros.'s "America," The Jon Butcher Axis' "New Man," and Balloons' "Political Vertigo."

On the WBCN album, mainstreame rock and roll is nowhere to be found. Everything from the album's first and best cut, Partiche's "Psycho Blonde" (a rocking new wave song) to The Bird Songs of the Merozoic's "Pulse Piece" song, an all keyboard and piano song that is very strange.

Some of the songs can be heard on WBCN from time to time (unlike 'COZ who plays all their songs over and over and over again). Compared to WCOZ, WBCN does album experiments with bands that have new songs and lyrics. This way local styles can be compared to each other. Some of the songs on the album are really unbearable, for example Bound and Gagged's (an all female band) "Personal Monsters" grates in your spine and the Loner's "Planat Spirit" gets on your nerves from the first note on. The best cuts are (besides "Psycho Blonde") are Pastiche's other song "This reminds me of the future", Boys Life's "I Wasn't Me" and "Heroes of the Dead", The Outlets "3rd Floor for Me" and the Futrue Dad's "New Feeling".

WCOZ has 11 different bands playing on their album while WBCN has 13 bands playing 17 songs. 'BCN should have let others bands get a chance to record their songs, then let some bands record 2 songs and others only 1 song. Both albums are excellent buys for a person who is into local Rock and Roll and New Wave Music.

--Peter Rinnia

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ELECTION

JUNIOR CLASS NEWS

Plans are all set for the class day of the Juniors. This year class day will take place on June 13 at Horseneck Beach. In terms of transportation, many will be driving cars, but those who prefer to take a bus may give \$5 to (to cover transportation cost) any one of this year's officers. It should be a super day-- don't miss out on it.

In addition, elections for the senior class officers were taken. The results were:

President- Jimmy Messina
Vice President- Jen Kaplan
Treasurer- Barb Waldman
Secretary- Kelly Boyle

I would personally like to give a special thanks to Ross Hiltz. He has given much of himself, and we appreciate all the time and energy he spent. I know he has lots of spirit, and I hope he continues to bring it to the planning board meetings.

I would also like to thank Mr. Tony Pane, our advisor, for his continual efforts on behalf of the class of '82.

Take care Juniors, and don't use your mind too much the next few months.

Have a terrific summer.

--Jen Kaplan

FRESHMAN-ELECTIONS

To begin a new year at Sharon High means to have an all new student government to put in place of the old one. This year there are a lot of people running for all seats in the student government. The question at hand is who will win. Here are names of the people who are running and the positions they're running for:

PRESIDENT: Michelle Guy; Laurie Todd; Marni Kaplan; Mark Wartski
VICE PRESIDENT: Dianne Peltz; Stephanie Healy; Beth Markowitz
SECTETARY: Sara Dickerman; Suzi Schindler
TREASURER: Beth Kosowsky; Sandra Gould

It was a close race and we thank everyone who ran for having an interest in our sophomore class.

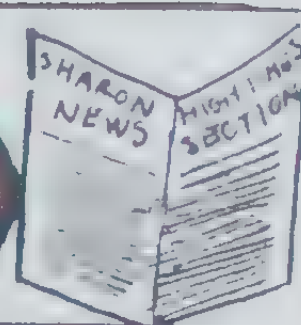
After a tie in both President and Vice President we have the winners:

PRESIDENT: Michelle Guy/Laurie Todd-- Michelle Guy
VICE PRESIDENT: Dianne Peltz/Stephanie Healy--Stephanie Healy
SECRETARY: Suzi Schindler
TREASURER: Sandra Gould

CONGRADULATIONS! Good Luck in the year to come. Remember your class is behind everything you do.

S. Kaplan
J. O'Brien

NEWS



GRADUATION

Farewell Seniors

Graduation took place on the night of June 3rd at 8:00 PM. The processional began with the band playing "Pomp and Circumstance" followed by the marshalls, Ross Hiltz and Jen Kaplan, leading the seniors down the aisle.

Lisa Todd gave her farewell address saying that 250 individuals could be so different, yet at the same time, be so similar. She felt that the Class of '81 had the potential to succeed at whatever the people put their mind to.

Marcia Delman, the valedictorian of the class, spoke tying her whole speech into the concept of happiness. She tried to encourage the graduates to get involved and make ideas known about nuclear proliferation, budget cuts and Proposition 2 1/2. Marcia said that happiness is attainable by not giving up and rationally taking control of our actions. Her speech was inspiring and optimistic.

The chorus then performed by singing "The Impossible Dream" from Man of La Mancha featuring the following senior soloists: Joan Marshall, Erick Goldberg, Judy Drake, Kevin LaBrie, Marie O'Brien, and Steve Nelson. They did a wonderful job in adding to the sentiment of the evening. Dr. Maloney, assisted by Mr. William Therway and Mr. Blanchon, gave out the diplomas. Most had worked for four years, yet others were on the "five year program" - I'm sure to enhance their education.

The benediction was recited by Father Robert Bullock and expressed hope, all the best in the future for the graduates.

The ceremony ended with the switching of tassels led by Lisa Todd, class president, signifying their graduation. They now will experience new adventures, and many will be going to college in the fall. I wish them the best of luck; those who were there knew what a special evening this graduation was. - Jen Kaplan

MATH TEAM NEWS

Sharon's Math Team has had an amazingly successful year. The team easily came in first in the South-eastern Massachusetts Math League. During the season, Sharon would often come close to doubling the score of the next closest team. By the end of the year, the team had broken the league record for combined scores. Sharon came in second at the Massachusetts state finals. The team also came in third at the New England Finals, coming within two points of the leader. At this meet, Russ Basco was the team's high scorer. Sharon also came in third in its division in the Greater Boston Math League. The team would like to thank Mrs. Nadeau for her dedicated coaching this year.

SOPHOMORE

ELECTIONS

The results for the Class of '83 are as follows:

President- Karl Sucheki
Vice President- Jeff Davis
Treasurer- Dan Dubin
Secretary- Elyse Spiegel

The advisor is Mr. Daniel Innes.

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A Happy Student



WELCOME!

A new student at Sharon High, David Freshman, has recently moved to Sharon from Richmond, Virginia. He is a Sophomore and has one brother attending eighth grade at the Jr. High.

David likes Sharon because he says there's more open space, people are friendly and he has already made a lot of friends, although he commented that he dislikes the fact that nothing is around the corner. Compared with his other school, David likes Sharon High better, especially because the grading system here is less severe.

His special interests include basketball, tennis, coin collecting, new wave and R&B music from the 50's and 60's. He enjoys the sciences and English literature, and plans to attend a four-year college taking courses such as Astronomy and Engineering.

Good luck at Sharon High, David!

by Chris Hughes



ART ACTION

SHS STUDENTS

RECEIVE AWARDS

Sharon High Art Students Receive Awards at the Stony Brook Arts Guild Spring Arts Festival.

The Stony Brook Arts Guild sponsored a teen-age art exhibit on Saturday, May 30, 1981 at the Stony Brook Nature Center in Norfolk, Mass. Some art students from Sharon High School entered the exhibit and received quite a few awards for their art work. Debbie Lazer, grade 11, got a 2nd place ribbon for a pencil portrait of James Taylor. Michelle Becker, grade 11, had an Honorable Mention for a watercolor Kaleidoscope design. Marjorie Dunn, grade 11, received a 2nd place ribbon for her stained glass project. Hilary Osborne, grade 10, placed 1st in sculpture with a small clay head of a Card Player. She also received a 3rd place ribbon for a wax sculpture of a cowboy on a horse and a 3rd place ribbon for an acrylic self-portrait painting.

On May 20, 1981, the Thirteenth Annual Spring Concert and Awards Night was held in the Sharon High School Auditorium. The evening was full of excitement, especially for the seniors since it was their last concert. The Band Director's Awards were given to Rob Skelton and Lesley Wilkins. The Most Valuable Players Awards were given to Don Cave (stageband), Steve Nelson (pop band), Brian Lourie (Jazz Ensemble) and Martin Cohen (Concert band). The officers for the 1981-82 concert band are: Sarah Danca and Gary Shetz, co-presidents; Ori Cohen, vice-president; Paul Vitali, secretary/treasurer; and the officers at large are David Cronendyke and Barbara Waldman.

The concert ended a busy and productive band year, with the Jazz Ensemble tying for first place at the Southeastern District Jazz Finals and with the Berk Pomery Jazz Band performing in the Sharon High Auditorium. The band would like to give a special thanks to John Ford who stepped into the conductors position one week before the concert. The band is also hoping for a speedy recovery of Mr. Fleishman who suffered a heart attack and for a great year next year when he returns.

--Sarah Danca

Drama Club Wrap-Up

By C & D

The end of another year is coming and this year, the Drama Club is saying goodbye to many of its senior members. We wish them good luck in the future.

The newly elected officers for next year are as follows: President, Melanie Sandberg; Vice-president, David Dallaire; Secretary, Karen Craddock; Treasurer, Marilyn Suchecki; and the three officers at large are: Jon Eisinthal, Melanie Brickell, and Sarah Katz.

Believe it or not next years Drama Club officers are already making plans. Some of the projected plans for next year include fundraisers such as singing telegrams, a dog wash, and a car smash. We have also started to design Drama Club tee-shirts.

With the possibility of a musical in the fall or early spring, many people will be needed for stage crew, publicity, fundraising, and of course, acting. If you would like to join the Club, contact one of the new officers or Mr. Newton in room 105 or just drop in at one of the meetings and sign up.

We're looking forward to a very productive season, and we hope to have new members sign up next fall.

photo by Dave Dallaire



The Birds Have Come To RC-3!

Have you heard about the birds in RC-3?

On Wednesday, the 27th of May, four baby robins were hatched in a nest right outside of one window in RC-3. Three weeks before, the mother robin was seen building the nest.

Mr. Richmond has taken some pictures of the baby birds.

According to Mr. Chappuis and Mr. Foley, the mother robin chose that spot out of all the school because of the peaceful atmosphere and the charming people in RC-3.

Kim + Karen

FAME !!!

MONITOR BLOTTER

- MON.** HOLIDAY
- TUES.** 7:43 a.m.- Slipped a love note under art room door- "sigh" - I'm so clever.
7:44 a.m.- HELP! My finger's stuck under the door!
8:37 a.m.- Still stuck. Patty came by and muttered something about the janitors not cleaning the halls.
12:03 p.m.- This isn't fun anymore.
2:00 p.m.- Let go of the note- finally got my finger out- clever me!
- WEDS.** 1:09 p.m.- Caught a student impersonating Mr. Reagan. He told a joke and it was funny- obviously not the real J.R.
- THURS.** 2:00 p.m.- Drug bust in library. They said it was a "so long" party for Mr. Downing. Right...and name is Jimi Hendrix Hah! And I thought he was so straight?
- FRI.** 8:47 a.m.- Gave 6 girls detention for walking around with dog poop on their shoes.
12:01 p.m.- Found out it's a half day from some druggie in the 300's. He was laughing when he told me- must be happy about the weekend. Good-bye!

WORDS EVERY HIGH SCHOOL KID SHOULD KNOW

- Absent-mj.- the senior class
- B.S.-adj.- initials used to refer to most class curriculum
- Detention-noun- makes black hole or C leatta look like Fantasia's island
- Wrest-noun- often smoked, sometimes moved
- God-noun- 1st chance after guidance
- Intense-adj.- the awsonest, most durable word in the English language...It's, like, intense.
- "...you know..." you're bagged
- Inc.-adj.- see "Intense"

EDITORIAL SPEAK-OUT

I resent the idea that the girls of this school have been chauvinistically harassed. I think that it is hard enough having to go through life as a girl without having to be reminded about their REAL place in society. The fact that they are only wasting their time in school only to become housewives or nurses is bad enough without men making jokes and rude comments about it. Women go through a lot and I respect them for that. So you chauvinist pigs out there, take a lesson from me and stop harassing those poor, defenseless, gentle, delicate girls right now.



Crazy Man!!

OUR TOWN IS SO SMALL THAT...

Superman can't find a place to change.

When you hang around the town, you hang around the town.

We go sledding on an ant hill.

We ice skate on a bird bath.

To us, "The Beatles" have 6 legs and wings.

Our bank is shaped like a pig.

The box factory is just that, a box.

A French-Canadian walks into a bar with a pet alligator on a leash. He sits down and asks the bartender, "Do you serve Canucks?" The bartender answered, "Sure." So the man said, "Okay, a beer for me and a Canuck for my alligator."

-Mr. LaChappelle

A drunk asks a bartender, "Does a lemon have feathers?" The bartender says, "Of course not!" And the drunk said, "Oh my God! I just squeezed a canary into my drink!"

-Mr. Plouffe

TELEPOOP

Little Tommy had his 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ birthday 3 weeks ago Saturday at his house and then went to the zoo with 4 of his little friends. They saw lions and tigers and an elephant and giraffe and a chocolate birthday cake with green frosting. They had that to eat. They had fun. Lots of fun.

Mr. & Mrs. Bob & Barbara Brown took a trip last week with themselves, their 3 kids, their dog, and Brian, Betty, and Bert (that's their 3 kids). They went all the way to their aunt's home all the way in Foxboro. On the way they saw 20 volkswagons, a license plate from New York, Rhode Island, and lots from Massachusetts (which is incidentally, where I come from). They had a good time. Their aunt says hello to everyone back in Sharon and has an Irish setter named Shamus. Well, have a good time Browns.



photo by Greg Reid



photo by Greg Reid

Editorially Speaking

Sharon High School should allow open campus for seniors. Being their last year of high school, they should have the responsibility and freedom to leave during their studies.

In the past, the school allowed open campus for everyone. Most people, especially the younger students, could not handle this responsibility and the program was discontinued.

Now, no student is allowed to leave the school during school hours, unless he is dismissed by his parents. The student is basically "locked in."

Sharon High School is indirectly admitting that when you graduate from the school you are no more responsible than when you were a freshman. After three years of going to Sharon, the student should be responsible enough to handle his own freedom. The school is admitting that he is not.

TEACHER JOKE

A man purchasing a horse was told that, in order to make it stop, he had to say Amen, as opposed to the usual "Whoa!" To make it go, he'd have to say "Thank God!" He agreed to buy the horse anyway. One day, he and the horse were quickly approaching a cliff. "Now what was that word? *#@! I can't remember," he thought. The cliff drew nearer and nearer. It hung before him, a ghostly menace that could and would end it all. Suddenly the light dawned, "Amen!" he screamed at the top of his lungs. The horse came to a halting stop, a hairline before the cliff. "Thank God!" he sighed.

Ms. Decas

The school blues is a dreadful disease that afflicts millions of young Americans every day.

Students can be helped if the symptoms are recognized early enough. Common symptoms include, acute boredom seven periods a day, falling asleep in class, lack of participation, skipping class, and an intense dislike for homework.

How do you avoid the dreaded school blues? Very simply, you don't. It is a very real problem. Students find it hard to cope with the pressures put upon them while growing up in this world.

Many students choose the easy way out, through alcohol and drugs. Through a drunk or stoned kid's eyes, the world's problems seem trivial. Their escape, they feel, has been successful. Unfortunately in reality it has not been successful. The problems will still be there when he comes down. As soon as a student arrives in high school, he is made aware of an ominous monster, called college. This monster, he is told, will look through your records and see if you have potential. It is a high school student's judgement day.

The pressure evolving from this one judgement day, could very easily cause a student to look for an escape. But, that is not the only problem that can cause the "School Blues." Personal problems, such as family life and peer pressure also drive a student to look for an out. Students don't know how to prepare for a future, because they have no idea what their future holds in store for them. The future is an eerie and sometimes fearful proposition. A common response to a statement concerning one's future is, "I don't care."

Every student in this school should care and should try to work together to solve the mysterious disease called "School Blues" or better yet "Life Blues."

by, Karl Suchecki

photo by Greg Reid



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Farewell to an Era

An era is over, but a lifetime has barely begun. After more than a third of a century in education--being a social studies teacher, department chairman in Swampscott, administrative assistant in Chelmsford, assistant principal in Swampscott, football and baseball coach, principal in Los Angeles, and principal in Sharon--Mr. Stevenson is changing careers. Their children now all grown and married, he and his wife made a conscious "decision to start life over." As a result, the two will soon be moving to southern California. Mr. Stevenson, who has not yet decided what career he wishes to embark on, declares, that, like many high school seniors, "I haven't decided what I want to do when I grow up."

He does know, though, why he is leaving Sharon High School. After 12 years as principal, he no longer enjoys the job. In fairness to the students, he wants the school to get new leadership and new direction. Doing something you no longer enjoy, he adds, is beneficial to no one. He will miss both the students and the members of the faculty, many of whom he feels very close to.

One reason for his retirement is the fact that he is "tired of fighting." He has been

worn down in his constant struggle to give the school a more structured, "no-nonsense, educational atmosphere." Although he realizes students sometimes don't understand why there are so many rules, Mr. Stevenson nevertheless feels that it has been his duty to give them as productive an atmosphere as possible so that they can compete in college. He "never said school is easy or school is fun." He "seriously, honestly" believes that "the way the school runs now, though, is how a secondary school should be run." He has been "through the cycle," from open campus until today, and is happiest with the present situation, managing a school of hardworking and dedicated students and teachers. Having a "sincere love of kids," he wants "the best product coming from Sharon High School."

Despite their occasional "run-ins" with him, most students hold a great deal of respect for Mr. Stevenson, too. We will all miss him enormously.

Good-bye, Mr. Stevenson, and may all your future endeavors earn you as much love and admiration as your present. For soon "the best product of Sharon High School" will be leaving us.

--Gerald Gamm

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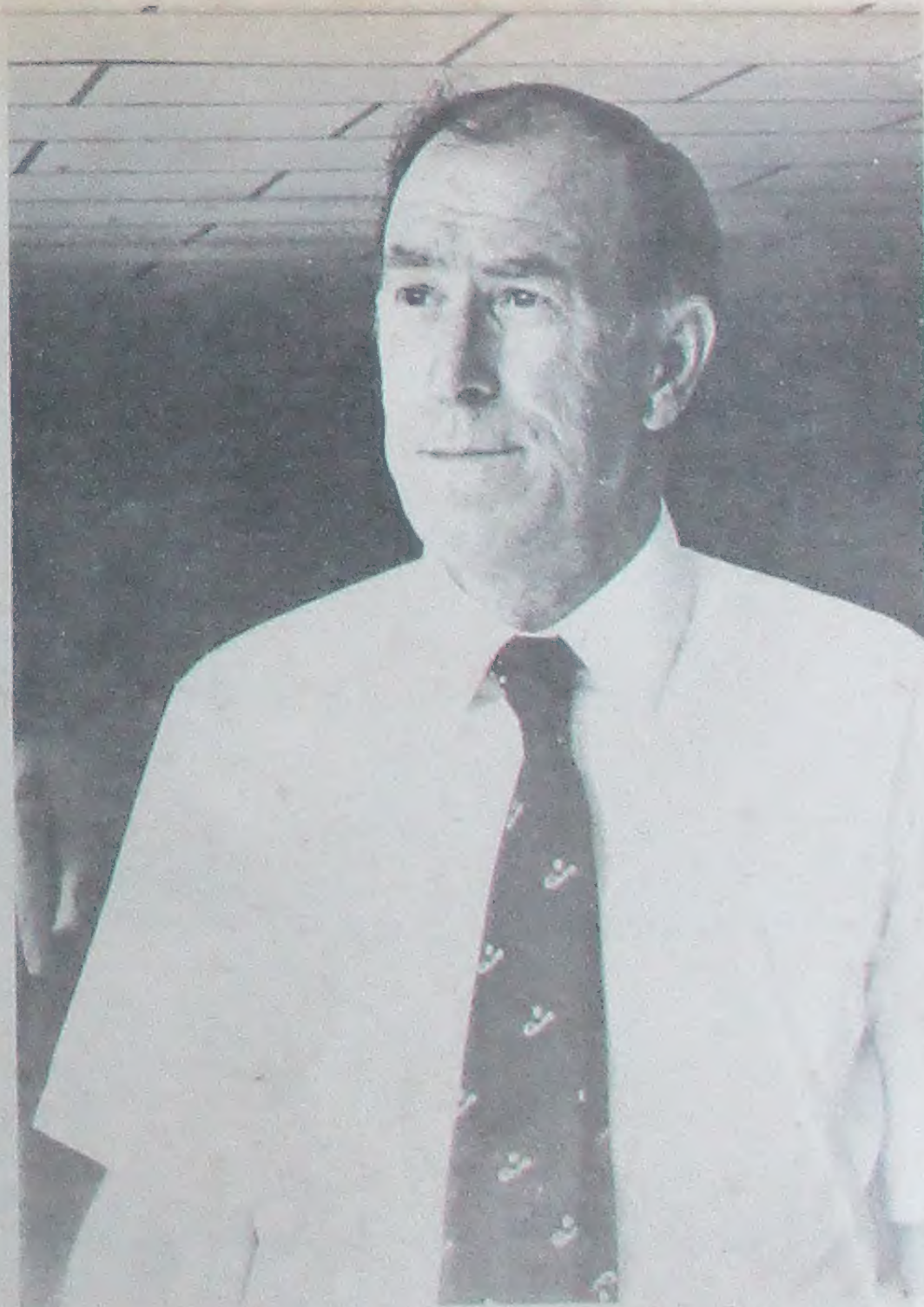


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